

2004 ELECTION

STATE REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT 13



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My name is Meiling Akuna, a Native Hawaiian and candidate for State House of Representatives District 13. My District includes East Maui, the islands of Moloka'i, Lana'i and Kaho'olawe. My roots are deep in East Maui where I live and where my Native Hawaiian ancestors settled in 1805.

I was born in Ke'anae, Maui, HI, one of 16 children of Alexander Ah Sing and Ani Kekahuna Akuna, goodly parents who taught me the values of hard work, perseverance, and to always do good. I am a product of Ke'anae School and former student of Maui High, class of 1958.

I am an organic farmer and environmental activist. I farm on ancestral land which was sacred to my ancestors. My upbringing in the traditional Native Hawaiian culture planted in me a great appreciation for my roots.

I am an active member in my church, The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints. I am a volunteer with Youths Against Drugs, Alcohol, and Tobacco Use. I am a mother and grandma tutu.

I am a candidate for State House of Representatives District 13 because I believe that I can make a difference in clearing the way for us to make responsible decisions for the future of our state.

I look forward to the challenges of election year 2004, and "Proud To Be A Republican Woman."

